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4. [ ] Met with Frank Slatinshek, Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, and made an appointment for Mr. Houston, OGC, and myself to meet with him on Wednesday, 24 October, to discuss various legislative proposals relating to the Agency's statutory authority. Slatinshek asked that I confirm the 10:30 meeting time that morning since the Committee schedule has been rather fluid during the last few days. I told him also that it would be appreciated if Mr. Colby's presentation on Tuesday could summarize the information provided in last week's briefing on the Middle East and then detail the changes that have occurred since that time. Mr. Colby will be the lead witness on Tuesday and will be followed by William P. Clements, Deputy Secretary of Defense, or whoever makes the main presentation for DOD. The Committee's real need at this time is to determine the extent to which the United States is being involved in the Middle East crisis. [ ] OCI, has been advised.

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6. [ ] Called Bill Shattuck, Counsel, House Judiciary Committee, and expressed our strong interest in H. R. 7135, which amends the Military Personnel and Civilian Employees Claims Act of 1964, raising the ceiling on claims for military and civilian agencies for personal property damages to \$12,000. Shattuck stated that there has been a holdup in OMB due to State's position. (See Memorandum for the Record.)

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7. [ ] Advised Ben Tryck, OMB, that the Agency had no substantive comments to offer on H. R. 9985 (extending protective services to UN buildings in New York City), as the subject was not within our purview and I agreed that we would send him a letter for his file.

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8. [ ] Called Jim Woolsey, General Counsel, Senate Armed Services Committee, to remind him that the prohibitory language in new section (g) under Stennis' bill (S. 2597) was lifted from the Proxmire bill. Woolsey thanked us for the reminder and said he would make sure that Stennis properly acknowledges Proxmire's contribution.

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